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Dear Microsoft Settlement U.S. Department of Justice:

The Microsoft trial squandered taxpayers' dollars, was a nuisance to consumers, and a serious deterrent to investors in the high-tech industry. It is high time for this trial, and the wasteful spending accompanying it, to be over. Consumers will indeed see competition in the marketplace, rather than the courtroom. And the investors who propel our economy can finally breathe a sigh of relief.

Upwards of 60% of Americans thought the federal government should not have broken up Microsoft. If the case is finally over, companies like Microsoft can get back into the business of innovating and creating better products for consumers, and not wasting valuable resources on litigation.

Competition means creating better goods and offering superior services to consumers. With government out of the business of stifling progress and tying the hands of corporations, consumers - rather than bureaucrats and judges - will once again pick the winners and losers on Wall Street. With the reins off the high-tech industry, more entrepreneurs will be encouraged to create new and competitive products and technologies.

I would like to add a word about the new AOL Time Warner lawsuit. I was a Netscape user and was determined to use Netscape. But I found that it was awkward and when I had the opportunity to use Internet Explorer, I found that it was very easy to use. My Mother currently uses Netscape and is constantly thwarted in her efforts to use the Internet.

Thank you for this opportunity to share my views.

Sincerely,

Dennis G. Feuerbacher